. 4. And be it enacted, That in all prosecutions that may hereafter Dec. Ses. 1817 be had under the aforegoing provisions of this law, it shall be proved to the satisfaction of the petit jury, who shall try the issue evidence to joined, that a free negro or mulatto, or a negro or mulatto servant convict. or slave, was in any store, or other house as aforesaid, within the time prohibited by this law, such evidence shall be sufficient to establish the fact, that such negro or mulatto was suffered and permitted to be there by the possessor and occupier of such store-house, or other house, unless he, she or they, shall be able to show, by credible testimony, that he, she or they, or his, her or their agents or clerks, did not know that such negro or mulatto was in such store-house, or other house, or knowing the same used all necessary means to remove forthwith such negro or mulatto from such store-

5. And be it enacted, That any person who shall, after the first Penalty for rehouse or other house. day of May next, in the counties aforesaid, receive from any negro &c. or mulatto any goods, chattels, or personal property, shall be considered as dealing with such negro or mulatto, and subject to the like pains and penalties, to be recovered in like manner; Provided always, that it shall be lawful to receive of a negro or mulatto, goods, chattels, or personal property, in such cases, and under such circumstances, as by the laws now in force such goods, chattels, or personal property, might be bought of a negro or mulat-

to, but in none other.

6. And he it enacted, That in all cases where application shall examined &c. hereafter be made for a licenso or permit to retail liquors in the countles aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the court or judge, as the case may be, and in those counties where no judge resides it shall be the duty of the clerks of said counties, to inquire and examine whether the said license or permit is intended to be used for the use and benefit of the person or persons only in whose -name or names the same is applied for, or for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, and the said court or judge, or clerks, as the case may be, may in their discretion examine, upon oath or affirmation, as the case may be, the person or persons in whose name the said license or permit is applied for, whether the same is intended for his, her, or their own use, or for the use and benefit of any other person or persons, and if it shall appear on such inquiry and examination, that the said liconse or permit is intended for the use or benefit of any other person or persons, then it shall not be

examined, &c.

lawful to grant the same. 7. And be it enacted, That this act shall be given in charge to Act to begiven the grandjury of the aforesaid county courts at the beginning of in charge to every term; Provided, that nothing herein contained shall be con- grand juries. strued to extend to negroes or mulattoes employed as wagoners, or travellers putting up or stopping whilst travelling through said counties.:

CHAPTER 228.

An act for the better regulation of the Militia of the City of Passed Feb 16 Baltimore.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That formed into the inhabitants within the limits of the city of Baltimore, liable to brigades.